GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
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Tackling Urbanization via Railways
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government recognises that development of Railways can mitigate problems of unchecked urbanisation;
(b) if so, the details thereof;
(c) whether the Government is taking steps to provide railway services to remote parts to control migration to towns and cities and if so, the details thereof;
(d) whether a detailed study has been conducted to assess the situation in this regard; and
(e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(a) to (c) : Development of transport linkages including Railways helps in dispersion of development away from existing cities/towns. Railway services are planned on railway routes leading to cities as per requirement and capacity. Capacity augmentation works are also taken up accordingly.
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(d) & (e) : Such studies are carried out in the specific context of cities from time to time.
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